STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1422-24

Honolulu, Hawaii

, 2024

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RE: H.R. No. 74 H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Thirty-Second State Legislature Regular Session of 2024 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water & Land, to which was referred H.R. No. 74 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING THE STATE OF HAWAIF TO ADOPT A PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT, AND THE ELECTORATE TO RATIFY THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT, GUARANTEEING ALL INDIVIDUALS THE RIGHT TO A CLEAN AND HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to encourage the State of Hawaii to adopt a proposed constitutional amendment, and the electorate to ratify the proposed amendment, guaranteeing all individuals the right to a clean and healthy environment.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Green Party of Hawai'i; 350Hawaii.org; Greenpeace Hawaii; Kauai Climate Action Coalition; and numerous individuals.

Your Committee finds that the proposal and ratification of an environmental rights amendment to the Hawaii State Constitution, as contemplated in this measure, is a potent symbol of the State's commitment to providing its residents with a healthy environment, a stable climate, clean air, and clean water.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Including the right to a stable climate within the proposed constitutional amendment;
- (2) Modifying its title to reflect its amended scope; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water & Land that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 74, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs in the form attached hereto as H.R. No. 74, H.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Water & Land,

LINVA ICHIYAMA, Mair

## State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Thirty-second Legislature

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## Record of Votes of the Committee on Water & Land

HR 74	Committee Referral: WAL_JHA	Date:	3/19/	14
☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to:  Pass, unamended (as is)  Pass, with amendments (HD)  Hold  Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
WAL Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. ICHIYAMA, Linda (C)	$\overline{}$			
	Chief Chief Chief Chief Chief			
2. POEPOE, Mahina (VC)		Mary Transf		
3. CHUN, Cory M.				
4. GANADEN, Sonny				
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5. HASHEM, Mark J.				
6. MIZUNO, May Besario				H Mari
7. MORIKAWA, Dee				
8. TAKAYAMA, Gregg				
9. SOUZA, Kanani		32-213146		
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TOTAL (9)	a			
The recommendation is:  Adopted  If joint referral, did not support recommendation.  committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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